

**Amendments to the Claims:**

1 (currently amended):        A method for pinning and displaying items, comprising:

         selecting an item to pin;

         pinning the item selected by a user; and

automatically displaying the pinned item before non-pinned items such that the pinned item is distinguishable from and prioritized higher than related non-pinned items.

2 (original):    The method of Claim 1, wherein displaying the pinned item further comprises including a visual indicator indicating that the item is pinned.

3 (currently amended):        The method of Claim 1, further comprising automatically creating a copy of the item selected to pin.

4 (original):    The method of Claim 1, wherein the item to pin is selected from a group comprising a contact, a folder, a file, a field, an application, and a message.

5 (original):    The method of Claim 1, wherein displaying the pinned item such that the pinned item is distinguishable and prioritized higher than the related non-pinned items further comprises displaying the pinned item at a top of a list view.

6 (original):    The method of Claim 5, further comprising displaying the pinned item with a category view when it is associated with a category.

7 (original):    The method of Claim 4, further comprising managing pinned items such that the pinned item may be moved relative to other pinned items.

8 (original):    The method of Claim 7, wherein managing the pinned items further comprises deleting a pinned item.

9 (original): The method of Claim 8, wherein deleting the pinned item further comprises keeping a corresponding item within an unpinned item list.

10 (currently amended): A system for representing items, comprising:  
a display configured to display items; and  
a pinned items application that is configured to perform the following actions, including:  
pinning an item selected by a user; and

automatically instructing the display to display the pinned item before non-pinned items such that the pinned item is distinguishable and prioritized higher than related non-pinned items.

11 (original): The system of Claim 10, wherein the pinned item includes an icon indicating that it is pinned.

12 (currently amended): The system of Claim 10, wherein the pinned item application is further configured to automatically create a copy of the item selected to pin to be used as the pinned item.

13 (original): The system of Claim 10, wherein instructing the display to display the pinned item, further comprises displaying the pinned item only when it is associated with a category view currently being displayed.

14 (original): The system of Claim 10, wherein the pinned item application is further configured to manage pinned items.

15 (original): The system of Claim 13, wherein managing the pinned items further comprises moving the pinned items within the pinned items list.

16 (original): The system of Claim 14, wherein managing the pinned items further comprises deleting at least one of the pinned items.

17 (currently amended): A computer-readable storage medium for displaying items, comprising:

selecting an item to pin;

pinning the item selected by a user; and

automatically displaying the pinned item before non-pinned items such that the pinned item is distinguishable and prioritized higher than related non-pinned items.

18 (original): The computer-readable medium of Claim 17, wherein displaying the pinned item further comprises including an icon indicating that the item is pinned.

19 (currently amended): The computer-readable medium of Claim 17, further comprising automatically creating a copy of the contact item to pin, wherein the copy is used as the pinned item.

20 (original): The computer-readable medium of Claim 17, wherein displaying the pinned item, further comprises displaying the pinned item at a top of a list view.